UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: November 23, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

At 1:25 p.m. this date, Assistant SAC Kyle Clark, Dallas, advised just received word of the results of the paraffin test that had been given to Lee Oswald. The Diphenylbenzibine, Riagent test for nitrate was used.

The results show Punctate traces of nitrate found in the paraffin on the right and left hands consistent with that of a person who handled or fired a firearm.

The paraffin of right cheek showed no traces of nitrate. This examination was conducted by Dr. M. S. Mason, Director Dallas City County Criminal Investigative Laboratory.

Clark advised that he now understood that the actual results of the paraffin were made between 12 and 1 a.m. this morning, but were not taken to the Criminal Investigative Laboratory until 10:45 a.m. this morning.

1 - Mr. Sullivan
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